

# **Hayward 9/11 Memorial Support Letters**

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-0515**

Mr. Michael L. Emerson  
The Hayward 9/11 Memorial Project  
2715 Christopher Court  
Hayward, CA 94541-3179

Dear Mr. Emerson:

Thank you for contacting my office. I appreciate your hard work and the thoughtful contributions being made towards the creation of a memorial dedicated to the memories of those lost on September 11, 2001 in downtown Hayward, California.

The terrorist attacks of September 11th forever changed our nation. On that haunting morning I was heading to my internship on Capitol Hill, when I was told to turn around because a plane was possibly headed for the Capitol. It was a chilling memory that will never fade from my mind.

A memorial in Hayward would serve as an important local tribute to the nearly 3,000 people killed that day, including the emergency and rescue personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice while aiding their fellow Americans. Having a 9/11 memorial in the East Bay would help ensure that future generations never forget the innocent lives lost on that fateful day, or the American spirit that prevailed in its aftermath.

I wish those seeking to erect such a memorial in Hayward all the best in their endeavor. Their cause is one worthy of the support of our community.

Sincerely,



Eric Swalwell  
Member of Congress

# Alameda County Sheriff's Office

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## Gregory J. Ahern, Sheriff

Director of Emergency Services  
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February 14, 2013

Hayward City Council  
777 B Street  
Hayward, CA 94541

Dear Council Members:

I am writing a letter of support on behalf of Mr. Michael Emerson and his proposal for the design and construction of a 9/11 Memorial in the city of Hayward. The tragic events of September 11, 2001, broke our hearts but cannot break our Nation's indomitable spirit.

It is important for the citizens of Alameda County and visitors of the community to remember our heroes who lost their lives in the 9/11 events. Michael Emerson's memorial will provide a physical tribute to honor those who died in the horror of 9/11. The memorial will also serve as a reminder of our resiliency in the aftermath of a disaster that threatened our Nation's safety and security.

Mr. Emerson has worked steadfastly to erect a 9/11 monument in the city of Hayward that will pay homage to our heroes. I believe he will produce a memorial that will be a source of pride for our citizens and be a moving tribute to those who were lost in the 9/11 disaster. Please give every consideration to this project that will serve as a reminder of our gone, but never forgotten cherished heroes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gregory J. Ahern".

Gregory J. Ahern  
Sheriff-Coroner

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# Assembly California Legislature



**BILL QUIRK**  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER, TWENTIETH DISTRICT

February 5, 2013

Honorable City Council  
City of Hayward  
Hayward City Hall  
777 B Street  
Hayward, CA 94541-5007

Dear Councilmembers:

I would like to express my strong support of Michael Emerson's proposal of a 9/11 memorial in the City of Hayward.

Mr. Emerson has done great work in the past and has brought the completion of many significant memorial projects locally. He was successful in bringing a memorial to Union City to honor the heroes of Flight 93. Mr. Emerson also established a Veterans memorial in the city of Castro Valley to honor our service men and women.

If approved, the memorial will offer the people of Hayward a physical reminder of the lives that were lost and a place of reflection.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me whenever I can be of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Quirk".

BILL QUIRK  
Assemblymember – 20<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

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MEMBER OF CONGRESS

BARBARA LEE  
NINTH DISTRICT  
CALIFORNIA

February 5, 2013

### *A Message from Congresswoman Barbara Lee*

Dear Friends,

Over a decade ago, our Nation mourned the deaths of thousands killed in the 9/11 terrorist attacks. We still mourn. We still feel the hurt and the pain that we felt following that dreadful day. Our hearts remain heavy and we still hold the victims and their loved ones close to us.

Remembering this terrible event is an important part of the healing process, one which continues to this day. That is why I was pleased to hear of Mr. Michael Emerson's plans to construct the "Hayward 9/11 Memorial," which would serve our surrounding communities in addition to the City of Hayward. It is my hope that Mr. Emerson's vision will come to fruition with the support of Hayward's decision-makers and community members.

Hayward joins millions nationwide in paying homage to the victims, their families and the brave first responders of 9/11 through this memorial. Furthermore, it will be another tangible reminder here in the East Bay for each of us to be bold and vigilant peacemakers in the years to come.

Sincerely,

  
Barbara Lee  
Member of Congress

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February 4, 2013

Honorable Michael Sweeney  
Mayor, City of Hayward  
Hayward City Hall  
777 B Street  
Hayward, CA 94541-5007

Dear Mayor Sweeney:

I am pleased to express my support of bringing a 9/11 memorial to the City of Hayward as proposed by Michael Emerson.

As you are aware, Mr. Emerson was successful in establishing a memorial in Union City for those who lost their lives on Flight 93. Dedicated in December 2007, this memorial offers the community an opportunity to reflect on the tragic events of September 11 and offers hope as we look to the future.

If approved, the Hayward memorial would provide a place of reflection and would serve as a reminder of our history. With its deep appreciation of times passed, the City of Hayward sits as an ideal location for a memorial to reflect on California's connection to the events of 9/11.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ellen M. Corbett".

ELLEN M. CORBETT  
Senate Majority Leader

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February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Mayor Mike Sweeney  
Hayward City Hall  
777 B Street  
Hayward, CA 94544

To Mayor Sweeney and the Honorable Members of the Hayward City Council:

I would like to voice my support of Mr. Michael Emerson's proposal of the creation of a 9/11 Memorial in the City of Hayward.

Mr. Emerson dedicated a great deal of effort to the building of the Flight 93 Memorial in Union City. It serves as a reminder of the heroism needed in moments of crisis. I had the pleasure of honoring him as the 20<sup>th</sup> Assembly District's Veteran of the Year in 2011.

The envisioned 9/11 Memorial would remind our community that what unites us as a people is far greater than what divides us.

I humbly ask for your consideration of this project. It is an honor and a privilege to serve you in the legislature.

Sincerely,

*Robert A. Wieckowski*  
Bob Wieckowski  
Assemblymember – 25<sup>th</sup> AD

Subj: Thank you for contacting Supervisor Miley's Office regarding a 9/11 Memorial in the City of Hayward  
Date: 2/7/2013 11:23:45 A.M. Pacific Standard Time  
From: [bob.swanson@acgov.org](mailto:bob.swanson@acgov.org)  
To:

Dear Mr. Emerson,

Thank you for contacting Supervisor Miley's Office. If the city of Hayward chooses to sponsor this 9/11 Memorial and their Supervisor Richard Valle chooses to support the project Supervisor Miley would be supportive of the project.

Good Luck with this endeavor and thank you for your work on the excellent Castro Valley Veteran's Memorial.

Sincerely,

Bob Swanson

*Bob Swanson*



Alameda County Supervisor  
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**Subj:** Hayward Memorial  
**Date:** 1/23/2013 10:31:45 A.M. Pacific Standard Time  
**From:** [hosdist2@acgov.org](mailto:hosdist2@acgov.org)  
**To:**  
January 23, 2013

Dear Mr. Emerson,

Thank you for contacting my office in regards to your plans about creating a memorial in Hayward, in honor of September 11<sup>th</sup>. As you may be aware, District 2 is fortunate to have many memorials commemorating and honoring the lives of Veterans, including your work in Union City for the victims of Flight 93 on September 11.

Our office is currently working closely with Union City officials for the creation of a Veterans Memorial in the city. This would add to the other memorials in District 2 including the Niles Veterans Hall in Fremont and the Veterans Memorial in Hayward.

Our office works closely with the City of Hayward, and therefore respects their jurisdiction over the creation of public monuments. I understand a meeting has been arranged for yourself and city staff to discuss a monument. Our office would be supportive of the City of Hayward's response to this project.

If you have any additional questions, please contact our office at (510) 272-6692.

Sincerely,  
Supervisor Richard Valle  
Alameda County Board of Supervisors, District 2